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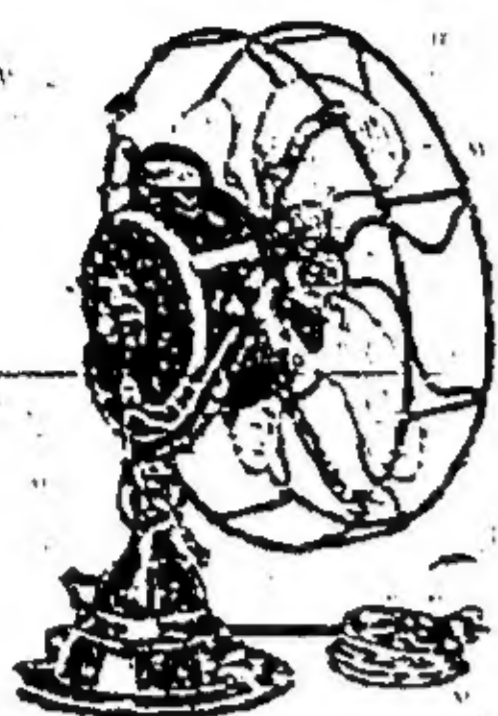
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

BRITISH TROOPS FOR SILESIA.

NEWS HAS PACIFYING INFLUENCE IN DISTURBED AREA.

LONDON, May 26.

The War Office announces that the first of four infantry battalions which are being dispatched to Upper Silesia, will leave Cologne on Friday. Ultimately two Irish battalions at present in England will be despatched, making a total of six. A Berlin message states that news of the despatch of British troops has had a pacifying influence in Upper Silesia. The troops will be commanded by Colonel Arthur Grenfel Wauchope, C.M.G.

GERMANY'S SINCERITY.

ONLY WAY TO CONVINCE THE WORLD.

BERLIN, May 26.

The Chancellor, Herr Wirth, speaking at a conference of Baden statesmen at Karlsruhe, emphasised that Germany's acceptance of the ultimatum was sincere but said that only performances would convince the world of Germany's goodwill, and the work of reconstruction must be begun. It would be wrong not to acknowledge the economic improvement of Germany during the past two years, and if commerce revived through the promotion of production the German people would have some respectable performances to show. Referring to Upper Silesia, he welcomed Britain's assurance of fairplay.

SECOND WAR TRIAL.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST PRISON COMMANDANT.

LEIPZIG, May 26.

The second trial has opened. The accused is Captain Emil Mueller, a lawyer of Karlsruhe, formerly commandant of the prisoners' camp at Flaviy le Martel in France. He is charged with brutality to British prisoners and responsibility for the appalling insanitariness ending in an outbreak of diphtheria from which 200 men died.

AMERICAN AMMUNITION.

17,000 ROUNDS CAPTURED IN DUBLIN.

LONDON, May 26.

In the House of Commons at question time, Sir Hamar Greenwood said that 17,338 rounds of American ammunition had been captured in Dublin since March 26. Replying to supplementary questions urging that representations be made to the American Government on the matter, Sir Hamar Greenwood said that he would consult the Foreign Secretary.

EGYPTIAN PARLEY.

ORDER RESTORED AT ALEXANDRIA.

LONDON, May 26.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Cecil Hurstworth stated that order had been restored at Alexandria. A court of enquiry was being opened.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

RAIN MARS MATCH WITH OXFORD.

LONDON, May 26.

Rain interfered with the play. The Australians made 294 runs. Oxford made 174 runs for one wicket. The second wicket had produced 149 when stumps were drawn. Jardine made 96 without giving any chances. He scored twelve fours. Holdsworth made 57. The match was declared a draw.

SINO-AMERICAN TREATY.

SENATE CONFIRMS CHINESE AD VALOREM DUTY.

WASHINGTON, May 26.

The Senate has ratified the Sino-American Treaty confirming the application of a 5 per cent. Ad Valorem duty on American goods imported into China.

IRISH ELECTIONS.

ONE SINN FEINER IN NORTHERN PARLIAMENT.

The results of the Irish Northern Parliament elections, announced up to the present are, Unionists 21, Nationalists two, and Sinn Fein one.

ALLIED LOANS FROM U.S.

TEN MILLIARD DOLLARS TO BE FUNDED.

WASHINGTON, May 26.

It is understood that allied loans approximating ten milliard dollars also the unpaid interest will be funded this year and repayments spread over a period of years.

COTTON STORE ABLAZE.

TEN THOUSAND BALES INVOLVED AT ALEXANDRIA.

ALEXANDRIA, May 26.

The Government cotton store is on fire. Ten thousand bales are involved.

GOLF RULES.

AMERICAN RIBBED CLUBS TO BE DEBARRED.

LONDON, May 26.

The royal and ancient rules of golf committee meeting at Hoylake decided after the open championship to debar the use of the ribbed clubs employed by Americans.

FRENCH PREMIER.

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES PASSES VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

PARIS, May 26.

The Chamber of Deputies passed a vote of confidence in M. Briand by 390 votes to 162.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/6 1/8
To-day's opening rate 2/6 1/8

CHINA COAST.

SHIPPING PERSONALS.

LATEST CHANGES.

Captain C. C. Williams, of the "Woodwing," is on leave.
Captain C. A. Christiansen, of the "Fengtien," has gone master, "Woodwing."

Mr. J. W. Timson, chief officer, "Sinkiang," has gone chief officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. J. W. Lamont, chief officer, "Hsin Peking," is on reserve.
Captain J. R. Shearer, of the "Wanchow," is on reserve.

Mr. F. H. Jenne, chief officer, "Soochow," has gone master, "Wenchow."

Mr. J. L. Matthew, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. G. H. Cameron, second engineer, "Hsin Peking," has gone second engineer, "Luenyi."

Mr. G. W. Clark, second engineer, "Luenyi," is on leave.
Mr. J. M. Brackenbridge, supernumerary third engineer, "Chenai," has gone supernumerary third engineer, "Fochow."

Mr. S. Warland has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Koonshing."

Mr. H. Rawstron, supernumerary second officer, "Koonshing," has gone supernumerary second officer, "Hopsang."

Mr. J. H. Davey, supernumerary second officer, "Hopsang," has gone second officer, "Luenho."

Mr. W. A. Balch, second officer, "Luenho," is on reserve.
Mr. E. J. Porter, second officer, "Koonshing," has gone second officer, "Esang."

Mr. W. G. Lator, supernumerary second officer, "Esang," is on reserve.
Mr. W. R. Williams, chief officer, "Loongsang," has resigned.

Mr. C. R. Moore, chief officer, "Laisang," has gone chief officer, "Loongsang."

Mr. H. A. Honehen, second officer, "Laisang," has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. J. J. Robertson, third engineer, "Kwongsang," has gone acting second engineer, "Kutwo."

Mr. W. T. Bould, acting second engineer, "Kutwo," has gone third engineer, "Kwongsang."

Captain G. L. Crawford, of the "Tungwah," has gone master, "Kiangyu."

Mr. T. A. Murphy, chief officer, "Tungwah," has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. D. Spathis, second officer, "Tungwah," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. P. A. Jacobson has been appointed second officer, "Tungwah."

Mr. N. Schaff has been appointed second officer, "Hsinchi."

Mr. A. J. Goldewyk, second officer, "Hsinchi," has resigned.

Mr. G. Megens, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Toonan."

Mr. O. Tehosky has been appointed third engineer, "Kwangtah."

Mr. J. Malcolm, second engineer, "Toonan," has gone chief engineer, "Kiangyung."

Mr. G. Coulton, chief engineer, "Kiangyung," has gone chief engineer, "Kiangshun."

Mr. I. Korotieff, from leave, has gone fourth engineer, "Kiangwah."

Mr. W. Ferguson, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Kwangtah."

Mr. J. S. Liddell, late of the "Hong Wan L," has gone chief officer, "Devawongse."

Captain J. Tyree, of the "Allinga," is on reserve.
Captain P. H. Going, of the "Kong Ning," has gone master, "Allinga."

Mr. F. L. Pine, chief officer, "Kong Ning," has gone master, same ship.
Mr. W. F. O'Farrell, second officer, "Telemachus," has gone chief officer, "Kong Ning."

Captain R. G. Blayney, of the "Mausang," is on reserve.
Captain R. M. De la Sala has been appointed master, "Mausang."

Captain O. C. Blown, of the "Tseangtah," is on leave.
Mr. J. Bettison, chief officer, "Tseangtah," has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. J. P. Messer has been appointed chief officer, "Tseangtah."

Mr. D. S. Whyte, chief engineer, "Kaiping," has gone second engineer, same ship.

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of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half
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Half hour, 10
Hour, 20
Every subsequent hour, 10

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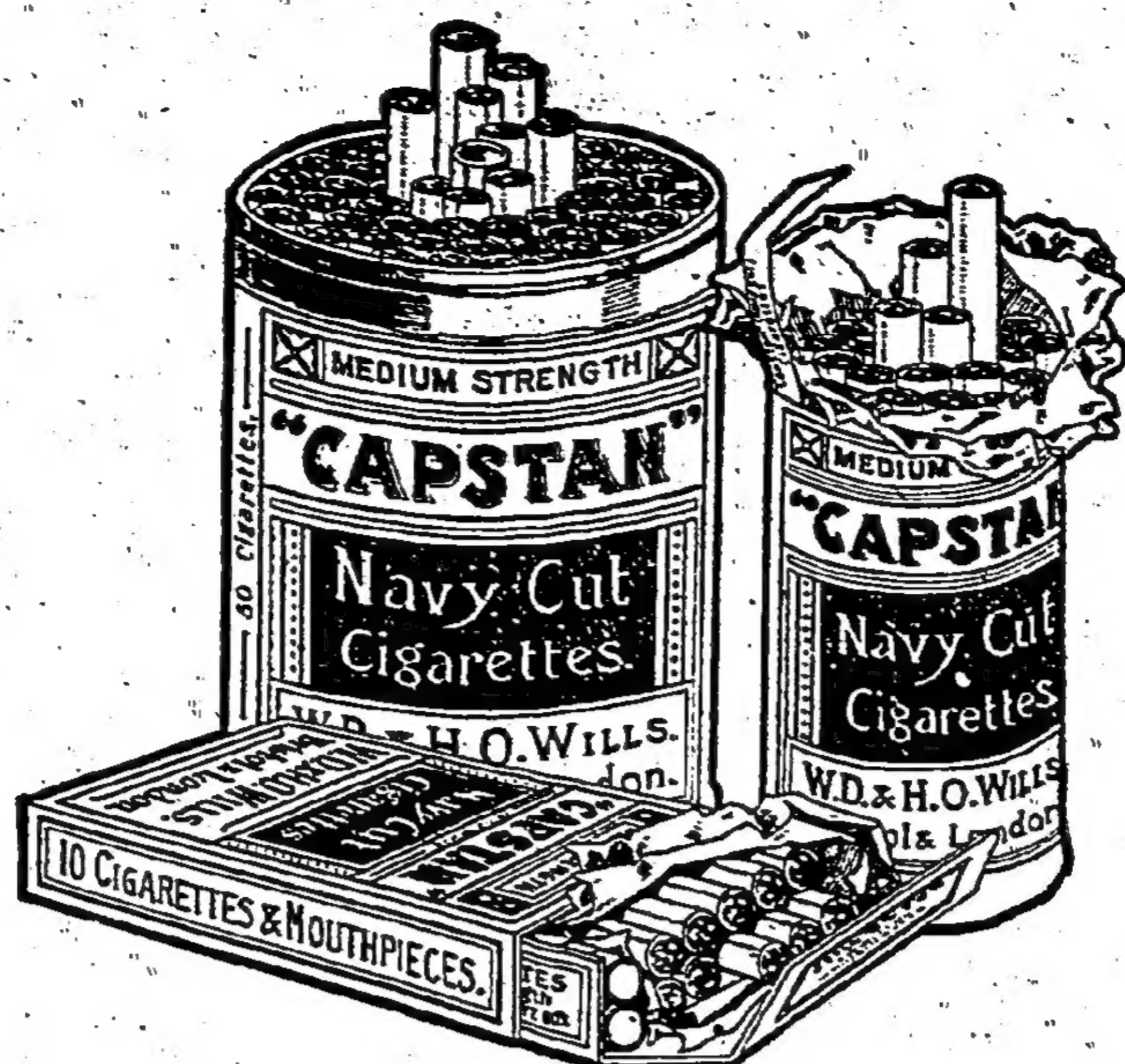
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CHINA'S FUTURE.

IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION.

HOW CHINA CAN REAP THE WORLD.

The important bearing which
education, especially the industrial
side of it, has on the future of China
was the point driven home by
speakers at the opening of the Shang-
hai Benefvolent Industrial Institution
in Kiaochow, read at Shanghai.

The purpose of this institution is
not to teach the Chinese to be
industrious; they are that already.
It is to teach them to be more
efficiently industrious. If the Chinese
industrial classes can be instructed
to become more efficient than they are,
by the adoption of modern methods
and modern tools they will become
the greatest body of industrial
workers in the world," said Judge
Charles S. Lobingier.

His remarks were echoed by
other speakers who also testified to
the need for such industrial education
in China. A good number of foreign
and Chinese friends of the institution
attended the opening ceremony
which was preceded by an exhibition
of exercises.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

The Institution was gallily decorated
for the occasion and in one room
there was an exhibition of toys and
knick-knacks made by the boys while
in the square opposite the buildings
the Boy Scouts gave an exhibition of
exercises. Other exercises were
given indoors including a gymnastic
exhibition in the gymnasium and the
other boys gave an exhibition of their
skill in drawing, painting, etc. Dur-
ing the day the band of the Military
Governor, General Ho Feng-ling,
played selections.

Judge Skinner Turner presided at
the opening ceremony and support-
ing him were Judge Lobingier, Dr.
Herbert Chaitly, Mr. D.E.J. Abraham,
Mr. George B. Fryer, the Director of
the Institution, Dr. David T. Yui of
the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Mr. Hwang
Yen-bei, President of the Riangsu
Educational Association and others.

TURNING OUT BETTER CITIZENS.

In opening the proceedings the
chairman said an institution like that
was deserving of all sympathy and
support. It had been founded and
was supported by Chinese friends
and it had as its object the training
of the less well-to-do Chinese boys to
enable them to better their chance in
the hard game of life. It sent out
the boys into the world as better
citizens for the great republic in
which we were all interested.

The chairman referred to the
gardening section of the training and
expressed a few words of com-
mendation on the inclusion of such a
section in the curriculum.

Speaking as chairman of the
Shanghai Horticultural Society he
applauded the idea and said it would
be possible to come to the director

of the institution and get a gardener
trained in growing flowers or vege-
tables and it would be of great bene-
fit both to the Chinese and to Shang-
hai generally.

THE WILLING BOY.
Mr. Fryer, the Director of the
Institution, said there was a great
future before an institution like that.
He touched on the various subjects
taught and said it had been said that
they had acquired too fine a building
and were bringing up the boys in
too fine a life. He laughed at this
suggestion and said that nothing
was too good for a boy who was
willing to learn to go out in the
world to earn his living.

Judge Lobingier said that it seemed
to him that the democratic idea
was very predominant in the institu-
tion and welcomed it because he
said if China was to become a re-
public in fact she must educate her
masses in order that they may par-
ticipate in the work of Government.
A democratic Government could not
be maintained by a few; it must be
worked by the many.

ORIGIN OF INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

Judge Lobingier sketched the
history of industrial education in
which he said Americans were in-
terested having had that system of
education in their country for some
years. Industrial education first ap-
peared in the Hawaiian Islands where
a missionary named Armstrong
started a school among the natives
at Eio. This was the parent of the
system which had spread over the
world.

He referred to the industry of the
Chinese and said it was not necessary
to teach them to be industrious. He
could say without any fear of ex-
aggeration that the Chinese were
the most industrious people in the
world.

The purpose of that institution, he
pointed out, was not to teach the
boys to be industrious; they were
that already. It was to teach them
to be more efficiently industrious. If
the Chinese industrial classes could
be instructed to become more efficient
than they were by the adoption of
modern methods and modern tools
they would become the greatest body
of industrial workers in the world.

SCIENCE AND THE BASIC INDUSTRIES.
He referred to the three phases of
the education taught in the institu-
tion—agriculture, woodworking and
ironworking and said that they were
the basic industries of all countries.

It was useless to introduce agriculture
to China, because there had been
farmers in China forty centuries ago
but there were some things such as
seed selection which might be taught
the Chinese farmers. That, of course,
was only one phase of modern sci-
entific agriculture. He passed on to
woodworking and then to the iron
industry and pointed out the need
for adequate training to utilize the
resources of this industry in China.

This would have the effect of de-
veloping the great natural resources of
the country but he advised them that

NEWS IN STAMPS.

HUNGARY'S HISTORY.

STRANGE AND EVENTFUL.

It is almost a foregone conclusion
that the ex-Emperor Karl's opera
bouffe dash for the Hungarian throne
will have its sequel in a special issue
of postage stamps by the provisional
Royalist Government at Steinaman-
ger. The political vicissitudes of
Hungary since the armistice are
already vividly recorded in the stamp
album.

The encircled imprint "Koztarsasag" (republic), following the flight
of the Emperor and Empress to
Switzerland, was imposed on the
postal issues of the erstwhile Hun-
garian kingdom until such time as
the obsolete designation "Kir" (imperial)
could be erased from the dies themselves.
The same stamps in due course were reissued bearing
the inscription "Magyar Posta" only.

A further overprint reading
"Magyar Tanacs Koztarsasag" (Hungarian Soviet Republic) was
struck with the advent of the Red
republic under Bela Kun on the con-
temporary postage stamps, which,
however, later gave place to a bizarre
series of a definite character adorned
with the effigies of Karl Marx and
other Socialist leaders. The printing
of these grotesque labels had to be
suspended after a few weeks, thus
removing what the promoters had
looked to as a source of con-
siderable revenue in view of the
world-wide demand by collectors.
After the seizure of the main stocks
of postage stamps by the Bolsheviks
it became necessary to distinguish
those current in the areas under
Allied occupation, and to this end
local overprints were applied at Arad,
Barabys, and Temesvar by the
French, Serbian, and Rumanian
authorities, and at Szegedin by the
anti-Bolshevik Government of Count
Kardy.

the development should be a national
and not a private undertaking.

EDUCATION AND CHINA'S FUTURE.

He warmly applauded the establish-
ment of an institution like that which
taught such valuable subjects and
said that the opening inaugurated a
movement of great social significance
and one which ought to mean very
much for the future of China and the
Chinese masses.

Dr. Chaitly opened the institution
in a very brief manner and pointed
out that the whole of the funds for
the upkeep of the institution had been
given by Chinese donors.

Other speeches were made by the
Chinese speakers—Shanghai Times.

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TO-DAY'S RECIPE

CHOCOLATE
CREAM.

Ingredients (for the Custard)—
3 eggs, 1 pint milk, 2 oz. sugar, flavoured.
Method.—Put sugar and milk into a pan.
When hot, pour it over the eggs, return to
the pan, and stir until thick (do not boil).

Ingredients (for the Cream)—
The custard (put above recipe), 1 1/2 oz. tin
"NESTLE'S" Pure Rich Cream, 1/2 oz.
cream or 2 1/2 oz. chocolate, 1 pint milk, 6
leaves gelatine, 1/2 oz. sugar, flavoured.

Method.—Mix custard, milk, and cream
together. Dissolve the gelatine in a little
water, add sugar. Whip the cream, stir in
the custard mixture, add gelatine, milk, and
stir until it shows signs of setting. Then pour
into a mould, and when set turn out.



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15 Minutes from Landing Stage.

Under the Management of—
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(Two minutes from
Star Ferry). PALACE HOTEL KOWLOON

Recently renovated and refurnished, electric light and fans throughout
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Leading Hotel in South China.

First class Accommodation. Electric Lights, Fans and

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ALL ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS Pass Entrance, Elec-
tric Lifts, Fans and Lighting, European
Baths and Billiard Rooms, Hot and Cold
Water System throughout. Best of Food and
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J. WITCHELL, Manager.

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AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT
AND ADMIRALTY.

Coal Contractors
General Brokers

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

G. R.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
Subject to Reserve,
on

SATURDAY,
May 28, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.,
at Royal Army Service Corps Pier.

W.D. Vessel "HERCULES"

Length - - - 53 feet.
Beam - - - 17 1/2 inches.
Depth - - - 10 3/4 feet.
Displacement Tonnage 170 Tons.
Engine - - - Cox's Falmouth.
Horse Power - - - 350 H.P.
Knots 10 Working Pressure per square inch 150 lbs.

Built at Falmouth.
Materials of Construction Weld to water line iron plate.
Approximate Carrying Capacity 25 Tons or 100 Passengers.
As she now lies.

A detailed list of fittings to be sold with the ship may be seen at these offices.

The vessel will be open to inspection from TO-DAY to the day of sale inclusive between hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Permits for inspection will be issued on application at the Auctioneers.
Ship may not be viewed without permit.

Agents - Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers to the Government.
Hongkong, May 20, 1921.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(For Account of the Concerned)

MONDAY,
May 30, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.,
at No. 44, Mody Road, Kowloon.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
And
Fittings.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms - Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

G. R.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction
on

TUESDAY,
May 31, 1921, at 11.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Lee House Street.

Number of Valuable
INSTRUMENTS
the property of a deceased Mercantile Officer,

including -
Sextants, Hydrometers, Clocks,
Range Finders, Aneroids, Hygrometers,
Cycloimeters, Typhoon Barometers,
Telescopes, Binoculars, Medical Instruments,
etc., etc., etc.

Terms - Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers to the Government.
Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on

TUESDAY,
May 31, 1921, commencing at
2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Lee House Street.

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD
FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAK-
WOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS,
CARPETS,
etc., etc., etc.

comprising -
Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas,
Arm-chairs (new), Card and Occasional
Tables, Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes, Dressing
Tables and Chairs, Washstands, etc.,
(famed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner
Wagons, Dinner Services, Crockery,
& Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery,
Electro-plated Ware, One American Ice
Chest.

Electric Reading Lamps, Screens,
Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs,
Cabinets, Pictures, etc.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms - Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

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ADVERTISEMENTS
25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS.
\$1. PREPAID.
Every additional word 4 Cents
for 3 insertions.

WANTED.
WANTED - To PURCHASE South
China Morning Post Shares.
Apply A.B.C. c/o "China Mail Office."

FOR SALE.
FOR SALE - ONE or TWO LOTS of
LAND, in Jordan Road, Kowloon,
about seven minutes by Road from
Ferry. For plan & further particulars
apply Box 1288, c/o "China Mail."

INTIMATIONS.
PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ANNUAL ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of Share-
holders of the above Company will be
held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hong-
kong, on TUESDAY, the 31st May,
1921, at NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 30th April, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of May,
to TUESDAY, the 31st day of May,
1921, both days inclusive.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED,
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 21, 1921.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.
THE Management beg to announce
that the WEST WING EXTEN-
SION and the new GARAGE will be
completed during the month of June,
1921.

The Management having received
numerous applications for monthly
quotations from local residents who are
not owners of private cars, have decided
to allocate a limited number of rooms
for this purpose, and now beg to an-
nounce the following inclusive rates:-

Two (2) persons occupying one
double room with private bath, cover-
ing attendance, meals (which may be
taken either at the Repulse Bay Hotel
or at the Hongkong Hotel Main Dining Room)
and transportation, i.e. one trip in and out each day
during specified hours (excluding
Sundays and Public Holidays) \$500.
per month for two persons.

Four (4) persons occupying two
double rooms with private baths,
covering attendance, meals (which may
be taken either at the Repulse Bay Hotel
or at the Hongkong Hotel Main Dining Room)
and transportation, i.e. one trip in and out each day
during specified hours (excluding
Sundays and Public Holidays) \$450.
per month for two persons.

The difference in rates above
quoted is explained as follows:-The
rate of \$500.- is for two persons in one
car, and the second quotation of \$450.-
covers cases where four persons are
prepared to share one car for transpor-
tation.

No extra charge to residents will be
made in connection with the regular
Tea and Dinner Dossante or entertain-
ments held at the Repulse Bay Hotel.

Monthly residents will also be
entitled to the free use of the individual
bathing tents on the beach.

For further information apply in
writing to the undersigned.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 19, 1921.

St. John's Cathedral
MONDAY,
May 30th,
at 9.15 p.m.

ORGAN RECITAL

Vocalist:
Mrs. A.M. Bowes-Smith

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND
OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forth-
coming meetings, lectures and
entertainments, sent for insertion in
the news columns of the China Mail,
are charged for at the rate of \$1 each,
(as announced in May and June of
last year) providing that they do not
occupy more than four lines. In
future if this space is exceeded they
will be placed in the advertising
columns at the prevailing rates.

INTIMATIONS
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an EXTRAORDINARY MEET-
ING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION will be held at the CITY
HALL, Hongkong, TO-MORROW,
the 28th day of May, 1921, at NOON,
for the purpose of considering and if
thought fit of passing the following
resolutions:-

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong
& Shanghai Banking Corporation be
and they are hereby requested
and authorised by and on behalf
of the shareholders of the Com-
pany to take the steps necessary
for the introduction of an Ordinance
into the Legislative Council of
the Colony of Hongkong and for
the enactment of the same by the
Governor of Hongkong with the
advice and consent of the
Legislative Council thereof to effect
the amendments necessary to the
Ordinance under which the Com-
pany is incorporated and carrying
on business so as to allow of the
capital of the Company being
from time to time increased from
20 millions of dollars the present
authorised capital of the Company
to 50 millions of dollars.

2. That the Capital of the Hongkong
& Shanghai Banking Corporation be
forthwith increased from
\$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000 by the
creation of 10,000 New Shares of
\$125 each to be issued at the
price of \$70 on the terms after
mentioned. Shareholders on the
Eastern Registers to pay for their
allotments at the rate of exchange
for the Company's demand Bills on
London on the day on which the
instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the
first instance, in such manner as
the Directors shall prescribe for
that purpose, offered to share-
holders in the proportion of one
New Share for every three shares
of which on the 28th day of May,
1921, Shareholders shall respec-
tively be the registered holders,
and that any New Shares not
accepted by Shareholders within
the time limited by the Directors
for that purpose be disposed of
and allotted by the Directors in
such manner and at such price as
in their discretion they shall think
best in the interests of the Com-
pany.

4. That the payment of the sum of
\$70 per share for each of the said
New Shares be made as follows,
viz:-

1st instalment of \$35 on the
1st of July, 1921.
2nd and final instalment of \$35
on the 1st day of October,
1921.

5. That the Directors issue to Share-
holders, holding shares less than
or not a multiple of three, a frac-
tional certificate in respect of each
share less than three or in excess
of a multiple of three and allot
one New Share to every person
who shall produce three such
Fractional Certificates on or before
the 1st day of July, 1921, and
pay the first instalment in respect
thereof.

6. That after payment of the instal-
ment, and pending payment of
the remaining instalment, Scrip
Certificates in such form as the
Directors may determine be issued
in respect of such New Shares
entitling the holders on payment
of the remaining instalment and
subject to such other terms as to
approval, date for lodging scrip
certificates and otherwise as the
Directors may prescribe, to be
registered as the owner of the
shares respectively represented by
such Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 6 per
cent. per annum be allowed out
of the profits of the Company on
instalments paid in advance of the
dates when the same become due,
and that registered holders of
Scrip Certificates for New Shares
be entitled in respect of such New
Shares to participate in future
dividends on an equality with the
old shares, in proportion to the
instalments paid up, and from due
dates for payment of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per
centum per annum be charged on
each instalment not punctually
paid, and be paid with each such
instalment.

9. That all moneys received from
premium on the said New Shares
be added to the Sterling Reserve
Fund.

FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, April 28, 1921.

NOTICE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
we have THIS DAY appointed
CHARLES E. RICHARDSON our
Hongkong Agent. Mr. RICHARD-
SON will handle all matters pertaining
to U.S. Shipping Board vessels oper-
ated by **BEAK, WILKINSON & CO.**
PARTY, calling at Hongkong.

E. W. BURCHARD,
Local Manager.
Hongkong, May 23, 1921.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.
Proposal To Change Steamer's Name.

I, H. M. H. NEMAZEE of Hong-
kong, hereby give notice that in con-
sequence of an undertaking to that
effect in the Bill of Sale and for the
sake of uniformity in the names of
the steamers of my fleet I have applied
to the Board of Trade, under Section
47 of The Merchant Shipping Act
1894 in respect of the ship "BURRUM-
BEET" of Hongkong Official No.
91,487, of gross tonnage 2420 tons
register tonnage 1561 tons heretofore
and at present owned by myself for
permission to change her name to
"BALISTAN" and to have her
registered in the new name at the
port of Hongkong, as owned by
myself.

Any objections to the proposed
change of name must be sent to the
Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong
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1894 in respect of the ship "MAU-
SANG" of Hongkong Official No.
72,866 of gross tonnage 2194 tons
register tonnage 1673 tons heretofore
and at present owned by myself for
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"MAJARISTAN" and to have her
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1894 in respect of the ship
"INNAMINOKA" of Hongkong
Official No. 89,430 of gross tonnage
2474 tons register tonnage 1425 tons
heretofore and at present owned by
myself for permission to change her
name to "SEISTAN" and to have
her registered in the new name at the
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1894 in respect of the ship
"RUPARA" of Hongkong Official
No. 123,662 of gross tonnage 1368 tons
register tonnage 791 tons heretofore
and at present owned by myself for
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"ALL-
INGA" of Hongkong Official No.
105,573 of gross tonnage 2242 tons
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MUMEYA
Japanese Photographers.
We have removed our Premises to
No. 26, Queen's Road, C.
Sitting hours from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Passport photos finished
in one hour.

WAR TIME INVENTION.
CORDITE IN BAGS.
CAUSE OF LOSSES AT JUTLAND.

An invention for drenching with
water magazines and other places on
board ship where a fire is likely to
occur was the subject of a claim be-
fore the Inventions Commission re-
cently.

The claimant, Engineer-Com-
mander Crump Johnson, R.N.,
stated Mr. Byrne, his counsel,
was serving as Chief Engineer of the
"Australia." By his invention, in
addition to the existing flooding
system, spray pipes were fitted in
cordite magazines, and it was thus
possible to flood the magazine in half
the time. Over 120 ships were
ultimately fitted with the device.

Counsel added that the invention was
the outcome of the experience of the
Battle of Jutland. Among the mat-
ters then brought prominently to
attention was the distance travelled
by the flash from the explosion of
the projectile of a big gun with the
consequent danger of causing explo-
sions in cases where the cordite
charges were simply enclosed in bags
and not in brass cases as in the
German Navy. The loss of "Queen
Mary" and "Invincible" so far as was
known, was due to that cause.

Another danger was from smouldering
debris in the gun positions which
would ignite the cordite in certain
positions in the gun house, and so
cause serious explosion. In fact one
was only averted through the pres-
ence of mind of an officer of "Lion."

The Chairman remarked that the
invention seemed a mere adapta-
tion to the conditions of a warship
of the sprinkler system used in ware-
houses.

Counsel - It was the only sugges-
tion put forward in response to the
signal to the Fleet. That showed
that it was not quite so obvious a
matter as it seems to a landsman.

He pointed out that the matter was
beyond the scope of Engineer-Com-
mander Johnson's duties.

The Chairman commented on the
claim of £1,000 plus 5 per cent. on
the costs of construction, involving a
total claim of about \$4,000, remark-
ing that it seemed beyond all
measure.

Mr. R. Moritz, for the Admiralty,
said the matter had been before the
Ordinance Committee, who had made
an award, and the present application
was by way of an appeal.

The Commission afterwards con-
sidered its award.

A "DREAM" THIEF.
STRANGE PARIS STORY.

NIGHTMARE THAT WAS REAL.
A civil engineer named Deroux,
just returned to Paris from abroad,
found accommodation in an hotel on
the Boulevard de Strasbourg. He
went to bed, fell asleep and woke
under the impression that he had
been the victim of a particularly
unpleasant nightmare, in which he
had distinctly seen a stranger creep-
ing towards his clothes, rummaging
among them, and then creeping out
of the room again.

On rising next morning Mr. Deroux
found that the silent visitor had not
been an apparition but a real thief
who had taken his gold watch,
chain, book, and pocket case con-
taining nearly £50. The stranger's
features, however, had impressed
themselves with extraordinary dis-
tinctness upon his memory and on
passing along the Boulevard Saint
Denis one day, he was struck by
the resemblance between the thief
and an individual reading a notice
posted up on the wall.

Presently the suspect walked away
and entered an hotel close by. The
engineer promptly warned the police
who arrived at the hotel just as
another traveller was complaining
of having been robbed and the thief
was asking for his bill. The missing
objects were all found in his valise.

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MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.
APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.
May 24th, 1921.

Butcher Meat.

Best Sirloin, - Mui Lung Pa ... lb. 20
Prime Cut 21
Corned, - Ham Ngau Yeh ... 22
Roast, - Shin 20
Borst, - Ngau Nam 18
Soup, - Tong Yeh 16
Steak, - Ngau Yeh Pa 20
Steak Sirloin, - Ngau Lau ... 30
Sausages, - Ngau Cheung ... 25
Sallock's Brisket, - Ngau No per set 30

Tongue, fresh, - Ngau Li each 40
Tongue, corned, - Ham Ngau Li
each 60 cents.

Head, - Ngau Tan ... each 80
Heart, - Ngau Sam 12
Hump, Salt, - Ngau Kin ... 18
Feet, - Ngau Kwok ... each 10
Kidneys, - Ngau Yeh ... 9
Liver, - Ngau Mui 18
Tripe (medium), - Ngau To lb. 5

Calves' Head and Feet, - Ngau-tai-
tan each set \$1.00
Mutton Chop, - Young Pui Kwai lb. 33
Leg, - Young Pui 33
Shoulder, - Young Shau ... 28
Saddle, - Young On Yeh ... 33
Pig's Chilling, - Chu Cheung ... 22

Beef, - Chu No ... per set 2
Feet, - Chu Kwai lb. 15
Fry, - Chu Chap 16
Head, - Chu Tau 15
Heart, - Chu Sam ... each 10
Kidneys, - Chu Yeh ... each 10
Liver, - Chu Kon lb. 12
Pork Chop, - Chu Pui Kwai ... 25

Leg, - Chu Pui 30
Loan, - Chu Hui Tau 24
Fat or Lard, - Chu Yeh ... 22

Sheep's Head and Feet, - Young
Pui Kwai set 70
Heart, - Young Sam ... each 10
Kidneys, - Young Yeh ... each 12
Liver, - Young Kon lb. 32

Sacking Pig, to order, - Chu Tai ... 24
Suet, Beef, - Shang Ngau Yeh ... 19
Mutton, - Shang Young Yeh ... 32
Veal, - Ngau Tai Yeh 20
Sausages, - Ngau Tai Cheung No. 1 lb. 28

Fish.
Barbel, - Ka Yu lb. 14
Bream, - Pin Yu lb. 24
Canton Fresh Water Fish, - Hoi Si Yu ... 18
Carr, - Li Yu 22
Coddish, - Chik Yu 18
Coddish, - Mun Yu 16
Crabs, - Hal 28
Squid Fish, - Mui Yu 18
Dab, - Sha Mang Yu 38
Dace, - Wong Mui Lap 10
Dog Fish, - Tit To Shu 10
Eels, Conger, - Hoi Man 18
Fresh water, - Tam Shui Yu ... 28
Yellow, - Wong Rin 32

Frog, - Tin Kai 40
Grouper, - Shuk Pan 48
Gudgeon, - Pak Kio Yu 12
Herring, - To Kai 24
Haddock, - Cheung Kwan Kiao ... 16
Labrus, - Wong Pa Yu 24
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Mc Gulper's Substitute for "Tee" is WATSON'S "E"



A.S. WATSON & CO. LTD.
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS
HONGKONG, CHINA & MANILA

Wm. **Powell** Ltd.
TELEPHONE 346

JUST RECEIVED.

A CONSIGNMENT OF
**LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S
BATHING SUITS**

ALSO
BATHING CAPS.

NEW STOCKS OF
TOWELS

FOR
BATHING PICNICS.

We Specialize in
Social and Business Stationery,
Loose Leaf Binders and Books,
Novelties for the Home and Office,
Dennison's Xmas Decorations.

INSPECTION SOLICITED

DER A. WING & CO.

60, Des Voeux Road, CENTRAL.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1921.

MANCHESTER AND INTER-
NATIONAL MORALITY.

How much and how strangely the problem of human relations throughout the world has been intensified, is partly illustrated by Lancashire's interest in the new Indian tariff. Railways and steamships have in a manner of speaking made the world shrink, and no doubt airships will presently make the shrinkage greater. The peoples are thus jostled together, and their relations become more intimate, and intricate, and constant. Numerous communities (still vainly striving for national "integrity" and separateness) are, as regards the vital things of daily existence, now essentially one community. Monroe Doctrines are now as hollow as dogmatic theories. Averse from entanglement in European affairs, Americans are in up to the neck. The producer of cotton in the Southern States has a lively interest in the business activity of Lancashire, England, and to Lancashire, England, the policies of Hindustan are of greater domestic importance than the character of its own mayors. England, as a manufacturing country, no longer producing food for itself, must watch the fate of outlandish farmers, and particularly the lines of communication between them and it. It must also watch the markets

in which it sells its manufactures, and the other peoples who would compete with it as producers and sellers of similar goods. Nothing in a foreign country is any longer of exclusive interest to that country or its immediately geographical neighbours. There is no more geography in that sense; we are all neighbours now, depending on each other for lending and exchanging things necessary to comfort.

Now the British cotton industry has been objecting to the Indian Government increasing the duty upon cotton goods, entering India from 7½ to 11 per cent. and an extraordinary discussion between the Lancashire representatives and our Secretary for Indian Affairs has taken place, with papers like the *Times* and *Morning Post* intervening. The Indian Government needed more revenue. Lancashire needs to maintain its trade, which has not been good lately. Lancashire has been told by Mr. Montagu that no matter how depressed its trade, the Home Government cannot feel justified in interfering with India's autonomous rights in the matter of tariff. It was also told not to hope for any reduction of that duty, because India had a deficit of eighteen and a half millions sterling to cover. The extra 3½ per cent. was not confined to cotton; it was being put on all other imports, including iron, steel, and machinery. The Home Government must feel very secure. There was a time when it would have lacked the courage thus to risk Lancashire votes. That such risk exists is proved by the nature of the comments published.

Lancashire pointed out that last year the Indian cotton mills made an average profit of 45 per cent. and thought an excess profits duty, such as they at Home had been paying, would be fairer than the new duties. (They omitted to mention that they objected to the Excess Profits Duty at Home.) They pointed out that the Home Government had the legal right to veto these duties. The *Times*, mirabile dictu, drew attention to moral rights, and reminded British Labour that this problem was a test of the sincerity of its policy towards India. The *Morning Post*, as was to be expected, took a bluntly Tory line, and declared that in any conflict between the interests of India and of Lancashire, the interests of Lancashire should be considered first. "The fact is," it observed, "that the British Empire of India was founded for the good of British trade. We do not believe in indulging in beautiful ideals at the expense of some millions of our fellow-Englishmen." Refreshingly honest, that, at any rate. The *Times* applauds the Government for deciding that Indian interests have first claim, and reminds Lancashire that India's bigger revenue is required because nearly 50 per cent. of her Budget relates to Military Expenditure. "The character and scope of which are chiefly decided by her British Executive." It would not be fair to settle India's army outlay and then force her to tax her own industries for the benefit of our own. Apparently the Lancashire labour leaders were in the same camp as the *Morning Post*, and willing to tax India unfairly if it would help to keep up wages at Home. "When self the wavering balance shakes," its rarely right adjusted. "We must not censure them. Incidentally, the *Times* claims that the higher Indian tariff will not affect the market for the "high count goods" of Lancashire. Let us hope it is right, and that the Lancashire deputation to the Government was needlessly alarmed. Meanwhile it is encouraging to find that the *Morning Post* school of purely selfish imperialism is now at such a discount. When it is quite discredited, we may get an Empire truly knit, of which we may think with honest and well-founded pride.

A FALSE SCENT.

Just when the blaze of resentment engendered in Canton by a variety of recent happenings appeared to be gradually flickering out under the extinguishing influence of the Governor's apology, new fuel was sprinkled upon it in the shape of the news item which we reprinted from yesterday's *Canton Times*. It was to the effect that the Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Mr. S.B.C. Ross) had called together the editors of Chinese newspapers in Hongkong and ordered them not to translate any articles from English newspapers commenting on the officials of the Colony.

Fortunately we were able to have this new rumour of highhanded British partiality scotched very soon after birth. When we showed a copy of it to the Colonial Secretary he assured us that he knew nothing of it and suggested that we see Mr. Ross on the subject. Mr. Ross, when we approached him, promptly and emphatically dubbed the rumour "an absolute lie."

We really must ask our Chinese friends to be less careless of the truth—for it is difficult to imagine how any process short of deliberate fabrication could have evolved such a statement. We would remind them that there are some points in Swift's essay on "The Art of Political Lying" which those responsible for propagating yesterday's canard could assimilate with profit to themselves and to their cause. There is for instance, Swift's observation that "Lying is the last relief of a routed earth-born rebellious people within a State." Do our friends in Canton want to qualify as an apt illustration of the truth of that? We think not. We hope not.

The *China Mail* has pledged its word to stand for a square deal by the Chinese but we have more important uses for our time than the pricking of their journalistic bubbles. We urge them to realize that this sort of thing is of no more use to them than it is to us. It advances their cause as little as it encourages us to take up the cudgels on their behalf.

After an eventful nautical career on the China coast extending over a period of close upon 40 years Captain H. Bathurst, of Amoy, will bid farewell to the Far East to-day when he leaves for home on board the s.s. "Iyo Maru." For the past nineteen years Captain Bathurst has fulfilled at Amoy the duties of harbour pilot and marine and emigration surveyor to the British Government. The Captain has had some stirring experiences during his sojourn in the China seas and all who know him will wish that he may long enjoy the period of well-earned rest that he plans to spend in Kent.

SPECIAL CABLES.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

SHANGHAI THE VICTORS.

AN UNEQUAL CONTEST.

SHANGHAI, May 27. A memorable interport cricket match terminated with Shanghai victors by an innings and 160 runs. The Hongkong players appeared to realize the hopelessness of the unequal contest. Rumjahn played like a Trojan, going in fifth and remaining until the end. A friendly match has been arranged for the week-end.

UNITED ENGINEERS.

BIG CAPITAL INCREASE.

PURCHASE OF BANGKOK DOCK CO.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, May 26. A meeting of the United Engineers to-day passed a resolution authorising an increase in the capital by \$3,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 will be used for acquiring the Bangkok Dock Company. The remainder will be held for future issue.

DEATH SENTENCE.

TWENTY-FIVE ARMED ROBBERS.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 26. Twenty-five armed robbers were sentenced to death at the Mixed Court. Detective Gabbutt was complimented on his conduct in a complicated and dangerous case arising out of the Pakhoi Road affair.

CITY TRANSPORT.

SHANGHAI'S NEEDS.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 26. Mr. McColl, manager of the Shanghai Tramways, lectured on city transport with special reference to Shanghai, emphasising that local conditions required provision for electric freight services saving road space.

ERRA FAMILY AGAIN.

BROTHER SUES BROTHER.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 27. The Erra family is again in the limelight, Ellis Erra suing his brother Isaac Erra over a matter arising out of property transactions. An interim injunction was granted pending trial.

10,000-TON STEAMER.

LAUNCHED AT SHANGHAI.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 27. The steamer "Cathay" was launched at Kiangnan, the dockyard completing the contract with the American Shipping Board for the construction of four 10,000-ton steamers. The American consul paid a glowing tribute to China.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 14, 1921, amounted to 84,629 tons and the sales during the period, to 81,109 tons.

A reminder is given of the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation which will be held in the City Hall at noon to-morrow, Saturday.

Says *Shipping and Engineering*: Here's an item of good news: In view of the need for the resumption of telegraphic communication with Hongkong, Gap Rock will shortly be equipped with a wireless plant. "Tis high time it was so equipped."

Word has just been received from Chungking of some rather exciting encounters with pirate bands. Mr. Everett Conley, a second class fireman in the U. S. Navy, while on duty on a Standard Oil Co. junk, was attacked. He killed six pirates, but was himself wounded through the knee so that it is expected that his leg will have to be amputated.

The Chinese press reports the following prescription given by a Shanghai doctor to a woman who asked for some medicine to cure her husband of his bad temper. "Fill your mouth with water and then walk until your husband's eye is again under before you empty it again." Needless to say, the woman found the "treatment" very successful. The doctor seems to have been both tactful and courteous.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LTD.

The forty-eighth ordinary meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd. was held at the offices of the Society, in Queen's Buildings, at noon to-day. The chairman of directors, Mr. A. O. Lang, presided and there were present Messrs. G. M. Dodwell, G. T. Edkins, J. A. Plummer, and W. L. Patten (directors), C. Montague, Ede (general manager), Hon. E. H. Pollock K.C. and Messrs. P. Lauder, H. C. Gray, L. F. Townend, H. A. H. Cobb, J. Bentley, W. R. Mansfield, Ho Leung, Chau Siu Ki, Chau Tsun Him, C. A. Wilkinson, Ho Kom Tong, Lo Cheung Shiu, Leung Tan To, R. A. Dastor, A. V. Apcar, N. Nemaze, E. J. Chapman, Chau Yui Teng, H. W. Dick, F. R. J. Adams, F. S. Harrison, J. Cochran, J. W. Alabaster, D. V. Stevenson, W. B. Kennett, G. H. Wallace, J. B. Thompson, G. Grimbly and C. D. Gee.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, the Chairman said: "Gentlemen—Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, I would like to refer to the retirement of one of your Directors, Mr. Andrew Forbes. Mr. Forbes was first elected a member of the Society's Board in 1904, serving as a Director for 15 years, and during that period his experience and sound advice have been very helpful to us. Mr. Forbes always had the very best interests of the Society at heart and did much to increase its prosperity. I feel sure you will all join me in wishing him every happiness in his retirement."

The Report and Account were issued on the 16th inst. which will have given you the opportunity of carefully studying them and I therefore propose to follow the usual procedure and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1919, after deduction of Interim Dividend and Bonus, leaves a balance of \$594,322.184 and your Directors recommend that this balance should be allocated in the following manner:

A Final Dividend to Shareholders of 16s. per share on 110,679 shares.....\$88,543.40

A Bonus Dividend to Shareholders of 20s. per share on 110,679 shares.....110,679.00

An addition to the Re-insurance Fund.....100,000.00

An addition to Building Reserve Fund.....70,000.00

An addition to Equalization of Dividend Fund.....25,000.00

To be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the account for the year 1919.....200,100.144

These recommendations your Directors feel sure will receive the approval of the Shareholders.

With reference to the Dividend it is proposed to pay, it is perhaps unnecessary to remind you that the Trade of the world is passing through a time of unprecedented depression and you will remember that at our last Annual Meeting my predecessor sounded a note of warning as to the uncertainties of the future. The correctness of his forecast is proved by existing conditions to-day, and although it must be very gratifying for you to note your Directors' recommendations as to the continuance of the payment of the Bonus Dividend of £1-per share on 1919 Account, it would be unwise to expect the indefinite continuance of same unless indeed there is a great revival in trade in the near future and consequent prosperity in insurance, which is as you know regulated by sound business conditions.

Underwriters throughout the world have during the past year been working under great difficulties and the forecasts of the near future are not encouraging but by watchful care we hope that we shall be able to emerge from this period of anxiety without loss of strength.

You will all have heard of the extraordinary losses suffered through theft and pilferage and your Management has been giving these matters their close attention. Losses due to the extraordinary wave of crime which unhappily appears to be passing over the world are quite abnormal.

The loss ratio for the year 1920 amount to 46 per cent. as compared with 34 per cent. for the first year's working of 1919.

The addition of £100,000 to the Reinsurance Fund will bring this Fund to £1,949,501.185, and whilst this may appear to many as being a very large figure, your Directors are of the opinion that it is not unduly large considering the magnitude of our operations. During the year the Fund has fulfilled its use and has borne part of the heavy and unusual losses that we in common with other Insurance Companies have suffered.

Your Directors feel that reference should be made to the position of the Society in pre-war days and the position it enjoys to-day. Its growth has been phenomenal. The Society's funds in 1913 might be roughly computed at £1,267,000 and the Report before you will show you the great strides that have been made since that year. This satisfactory result is undoubtedly due to the care

and attention of the Staff generally, and in that connection I cannot emphasize too strongly the debt of gratitude which we owe to our General Manager, Mr. Ede, who, in spite of very indifferent health, has continued to devote his whole hearted energies to the welfare of the Society, and his wonderful pluck and endurance in carrying on under such trying circumstances cannot fail to evoke our deepest admiration.

It is not worthy that the Premium Income of the year under review is over two and one half times greater than that of our best pre-war year. As compared with 1919 first year it shows an increase of over £350,000, and after deducting Reinsurances and Returns it amounts to £1,972,838.13.2.

During the past year the Society's world-wide business has been extended to the African Continent and branches have been opened at Johannesburg and Cairo.

The balance of the Working Account for the year 1920 stands at £901,009.165, and out of this balance your Directors recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of 24s. a share and Bonus of 20 per cent to contributors of business on bonus terms.

Your Directors have the pleasure to inform you that a bonus of 15 per cent has been voted to each member of our present Staff holding a Provident Fund Agreement, for the credit of that Fund, which we feel sure will meet with your approval.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as circulated, and when this motion has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions that the shareholders may like to ask.

Mr. C. A. Wilkinson—I have very much pleasure in seconding the resolution which you, Sir, have now moved, and, in doing so, I wish to remark in the first place that, although the figures in the Accounts now before us do not present so dazzling an appearance as did the figures in the Accounts laid before us last year, we have every reason to congratulate ourselves, and especially the management, on the fact that, notwithstanding the wave of depression through which the trade of the world is now, and has for some time been, passing (which I admit led me, as it doubtless did many other shareholders, to expect a smaller dividend) not only have our profits proved to be amply sufficient to pay the same dividend as before, but also to place a very considerable sum to reserve for equalisation of dividend fund, and other purposes.

You, Sir, have warned us not to count upon a continuation of this indefinitely, but for myself I am very optimistic, possessing as I do so strong a belief in our Company and of its powers to surmount all difficulties.

Gentlemen, when we think of the insignificant position which our Company occupied amongst the Insurance Companies of the world not so many years ago, and of the marvellous strides which it has taken of late years, we may compare it with, at one time, a little steam-launch, capable of navigating in shallow and home waters only, for which has been substituted first a small steamship, then a larger one, and, finally, one of the very largest and staunchest ever built, capable of being navigated throughout the seas all over the world.

And, although we have, at the present time, at the helm of this great ship a pilot-skipper of unquestionable skill in her navigation, and one who absolutely refuses to recognise the possibility of defeat, even as regards his own person, we can, I am convinced, rest assured as regards the future in the knowledge that there are other officers in the ship, of great ability, prepared to take his place when he resigns command.

Men who, although they may not be as confident as he has always been as to the absence of risk where, to the many, there appeared to be risks, can be relied upon to take a safe line, and steer the ship away from danger.

And, it must be borne in mind that, when once a course has been well charted, shoals and reefs previously undiscovered being plainly marked, it becomes infinitely easier to navigate a vessel over the same course than it was for the skipper who first piloted her.

Typhoons and gales may be encountered and doubtless a certain amount of loss suffered in consequence, but not the loss which would probably have been sustained had it not been for the existence of a well defined chart.

Our Society has progressed marvelously, and D.V. it will continue to progress, and so reach further heights, but even if it should not do so, I myself venture to think that there will be no retrogression, for that the present stagnation of trade in our own Colony and elsewhere is but for our own Colony and will cease long before our next Annual Meeting.

And I further say, for myself, that I shall be more than content if our position in the future remains as it is at the present time as shown by the Report and Accounts, the resolution for the adoption and passing of which I have the honour to second.

In conclusion I desire to express my intense satisfaction, which I feel sure will be shared by all concerned, that some recognition has been given of the valuable services which have been rendered by the staff of our Company.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Messrs. G. M. Dodwell and G. T. Edkins were re-elected as directors on the motion of Mr. N. Nemaze seconded by Mr. D. G. Stevenson.

Hon. H. E. Pollock K.C., proposed the re-election of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Mr. C. Bernard Brown as auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of £2,000.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Ho Leung and carried unanimously. The Chairman—That is all the business, gentlemen—thank you for attending. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be obtained on application.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The fifty-second ordinary meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company Ltd. was held at the Company's Offices, in Queen's Buildings at 12.45 p.m. to-day. The chairman of directors Mr. A. O. Lang presided and there were present Hon. F. H. Holyoak and Messrs. G. M. Dodwell, W. L. Patten and J. A. Plummer (directors), C. Montague, Ede, general manager and the following shareholders—Messrs. J. Bentley, J. W. Alabaster, R. W. da Cunha, V. L. Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, V. R. V. Ribeiro, M. A. R. Souza, W. R. Mansfield, C. A. Gray, A. A. Alves, H. A. H. Cobb and W. Gardner.

After the general manager had read the notice convening the meeting the Chairman said, "Gentlemen—The Report has been in your hands for some time, and I will, therefore, with your permission follow the usual procedure and take it, as well as the Auditors' Report as read."

The balance to be dealt with under 1919 Account amounts to \$885,591.01, which your Directors recommend be appropriated as follows:—Dividend of \$7.00 and Bonus of \$3.00 per share on 20,000 shares. \$200,000.00 To add to Reinsurance Fund.....100,000.00 To add to Extra Reserve Fund.....100,000.00 To carry forward to Underwriting Suspense Account.....185,591.01

Turning to the Balance Sheet you will notice that Sterling exchange this year is 3/12 as against 4/10 last year, which has had the effect of largely increasing the dollar equivalent of the Company's Sterling Securities. The Reinsurance Fund stands at \$1,332,623.95 as against \$1,039,395.56 for the year 1919.

Considering the depressed state of trade through which we have passed and are still passing, I feel sure you will consider the figures very satisfactory.

I now move that the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted, and after this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be put.

Mr. J. Bentley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. W. Alabaster proposed the re-election of Messrs. G. M. Dodwell and G. J. Edkins as directors. Mr. A. A. Alves seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

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BRITISH TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY LTD.

The fifty-fifth ordinary yearly meeting of the British Traders Insurance Company Ltd. took place at the offices of the Company, in Queen's Buildings, at 12.30 p.m. to-day.

The chairman of directors (Mr. A. O. Lang) who presided read the annual report (already published) which, together with the statement of accounts, was adopted on his motion, seconded by Mr. N. F. Townsend.

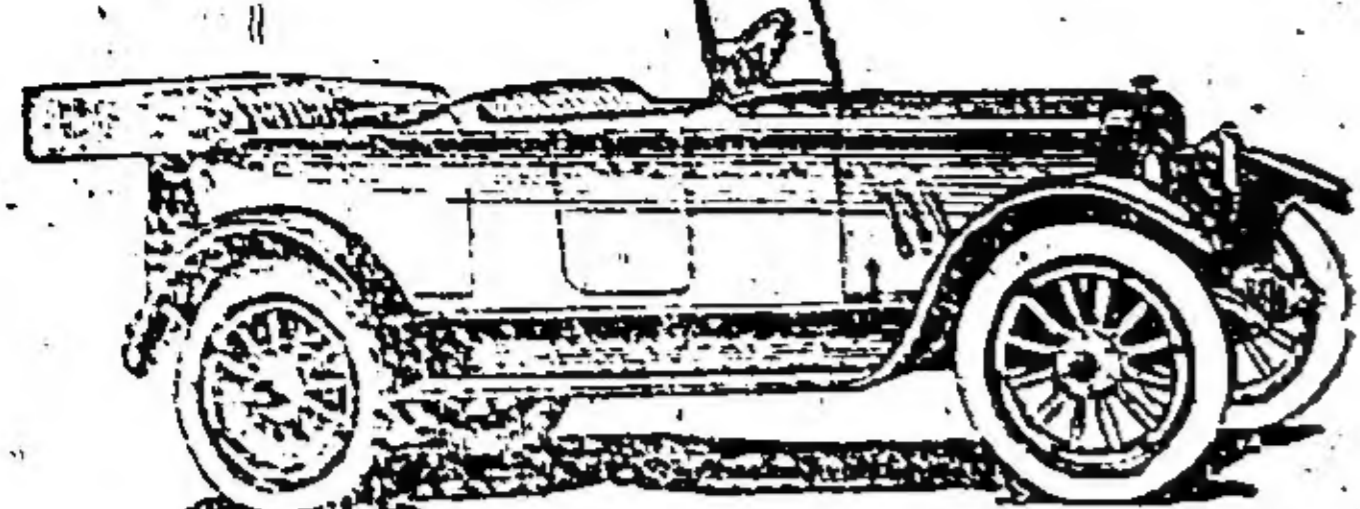
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Misunderstandings are not infrequent, nor always pleasant, in the Russian section of the Mixed Court, due mainly to the multiplicity of interpreters necessary, with Russian litigants, a Chinese magistrate and British, French and American counsel, the sense and purport of a question often being lost. Yesterday, Mr. Lemiere asked a witness: "May I ask what is your profession?" Receiving the reply: "What for? I do not want to marry your daughter," he got his own back with: "I thought you might have been on the stag, judging by your familiar way in the witness box." Then the Assessor intervened, says the *N. C. Daily News*.

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INTERPORT CRICKET.

HOW HONGKONG LOST.

RUNNERS' FINE EFFORT.

Through the courtesy of Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club, we are able to publish the following details:

The rain having stopped in the afternoon, Hongkong resumed their second innings in the Cricket Interport, at Shanghai, at 3 p.m., yesterday. The wicket was clearly the bowlers' but in spite of this, the Hongkong players kept their end up and made a better stand than on the previous day, compiling 152 runs before they were all disposed of. Hongkong thus lost the match by an innings and 159 runs.

Rumjahn, who went in fifth and stayed to the end, played a very consistent game. He was the highest scorer in this innings with 35, not out. Sayer was the next highest scorer with 31. The other contributors, of double figures were: Bagnall 25, Franks 15 and De Rome 13.

O'Hara again bowled brilliantly and was chiefly responsible for keeping Hongkong's score down. The fielding, too, was accurate.

HONGKONG—2ND INNINGS.

Sayer	31
De Rome	13
Franks	35
Olliver	8
Rumjahn, not out	35
Webster	2
Stapleton	1
Bagnall	25
Davies	6
Reed	5
Farthing	2
Extras	2
Total	152

Bowling Averages.

	W.	R.
O'Hara	6	62
Leach	3	42
Wainwright	1	1

CORRESPONDENCE.

HOUSE RATES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Dear Sir,—On behalf of our respective Associations we beg to append a copy of a letter received from the Colonial Secretary on the above matter.

Will you please publish same in your paper, at the earliest opportunity.

We are, Dear Sir,
 Your faithfully,
 L. M. WHITE, W. JACKSON,
 Hon. Sec. Hon. Sec.
 Constitutional Kowloon Residents
 Reform Association.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
 Hongkong,
 May 26, 1921.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of May 17 forwarding a copy of a resolution passed at the public meeting held on May 11 with regard to the increase of rates.

2. The matter has received the careful consideration of Government, and it has now been decided to bring forward a Resolution at the next meeting of the Legislative Council to rescind the Resolution of April 7, and restore the rates previously in force.

I am, Sir,
 Your obedient servant,
 (Signed) Claud Severn,
 Colonial Secretary.

One fatal case of plague and two fatal cases of small pox, all three Chinese, were reported yesterday.

With reference to the newly chosen Interport blazer, Secretaries of Associations and committees (cricket and football) have been circularized to the effect that when submitting to the central committee the names of players who shall be entitled to wear the blazer the greatest care should be taken to prevent any possibility of the privilege becoming "cheap."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Dresses made by the seamstresses of Le Travail au Forer are being exhibited at the Carlton Hotel. The organization is a French one and was started in 1905 with the object of inducing women to work at home instead of going to factories.

The report that the premises occupied by Messrs. Hughes and Hough, auctioneers, have been sold is incorrect. Not only have they not been sold but we are informed there is no prospect at present of them being sold. These premises were not included in the property purchased by the Canton Bank.

Mr. Pryde of the P.W.D., this morning summoned a Chinese contractor, of No. 8, Shinging Lane, for having unlawfully carried out reconstruction work in concrete on the verandahs of Nos. 27 and 29 Des Voeux Road West without permission from the Building Authorities. The defendant admitted the offence, and Magistrate Lindell imposed a fine of \$100.

Discharged from the Army, for being too smart, according to Inspector Brown of the Yammati Police Station, an unemployed Indian named Abul Rahaman, who jumped ship when being sent back to India, was this morning charged before Magistrate Orme with having assaulted an Indian girl. The Magistrate passed sentence of 21 days hard labour, and directed that the defendant be sent back to India.

A Chinese official, acquainted with military discipline as imposed to-day tells the story that while he was in Manchuria recently a soldier, caught in the act of robbing a dwelling, was on trial. The judge asked him how many accomplices he had and the man replied that he had none. "Do you mean to tell me you held up this place, alone?" asked the judge. "Yes," came the reply. "All right, you can go," said the Magistrate. "You're a braver man than I thought you were. Case dismissed."

A street coolie was this morning charged before Magistrate Lindell with the theft of a truck and the unlawful possession of 50 piculs of pig iron. According to the prosecution, the defendant and another man were seen at 9 a.m., yesterday wheeling the truck, laden with the pig iron along the Praya. Stopped by a Chinese constable the defendant's faki volunteered to go for the owner of the truck, leaving the defendant in the constable's charge. He did not return and the defendant was removed to the station. The defendant said that he was walking along the Praya yesterday afternoon when the other man ordered him to load the iron and wheel the truck to Kennedy Town, promising to pay him 10 cents for the trouble. A woman said that she hired the truck and left it for a few minutes unattended in Kilung Lane. When she returned, it was gone. The Magistrate said that there was a possibility that the defendant was innocent, otherwise he would not have consented to remain with the constable while the other man got away. He would therefore give the defendant the benefit of the doubt and discharge him.

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IDLE JAPANESE SHIPPING.
It is somewhat reassuring, says the "Mainichi," to note that the idle ships (about 300,000 tons, in Japan are only 10 per cent. of the country's aggregate of 3,000,000 tons, notwithstanding that Britain, America, and Norway, the principal shipping countries in the world, have ships equal to from 20 to 32 per cent. of the total, left idle. Moreover, coal is prohibited from being exported in England. In America, there are seamen's strikes. The increase in idle ships will thus be accelerated there. On the other hand, no signs of this sort are visible in Japan. The "Mainichi" feels inclined to consider that the depression now prevailing in Japan is still trifling, looking back to the forty-second year of Meiji (1909), when Japan's shipping was very considerably depressed, and the idle ships, with a tonnage of 200,000 tons, reached almost 20 per cent. of the total ships of 1,200,000 tons.

JAPANESE SHIPPING SUBSIDIES.
With a subsidy from the Government-General of Formosa, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha operates a Keelung-Amoy-Swallow-Hongkong line and a Takao-Amoy-Hongkong-Kwangtung line, running the "Amakusa Maru" and the "Kaiko Maru" in the former and the "Bancho Maru" in the latter. The Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, being also subsidised by the Government-General, has decided to open the line between Keelung and Hainan with the "Taikwa Maru" and the "Mimho Maru," the "Taikwa Maru" already departing from Keelung on the 3rd instant with 2,000 tons of cargo and some 100 passengers on board. These two companies will naturally be driven into competition.

GENERAL NOTES.
The steamer "Usurano," of 5,505 tons, has arrived at Lisbon being the first German passenger boat calling since the war. The steamer is the first of a new regular cargo and passenger German Line, calling at West and East Portuguese African ports.
It was urged on behalf of ten Greenwich boatmen, charged at Grays with stealing coal by dredging it, that when coal fell overboard it should be regarded as abandoned property, belonging to the Receiver of Wrecks or to the finders.

The acting master attendant Singapore, has given notice that the dredger "Shrimp" commenced dredging work in the Empire Dock entrance from May 15. The work starts at 6 p.m. daily and finishes at 5 a.m. when the moorings are lowered to dock bottom and the dredger shifted to the head of the dock or other suitable berth. During dredging operations, the Empire Dock is closed for traffic to other than small launches or tongkangs.

The Admiralty salvage vessel "Race" and her tender are shortly leaving Portsmouth with the object of recovering the remainder of the gold bullion from the sunken armed liner "Laurentic," which lies at the bottom of the sea off North-West Ireland. Some of the treasure was salvaged last year. The "Laurentic" was sunk in January, 1917. Some millions remain in the wreck, which is covered with gravel silt.
Sir George Hunter, chairman of Messrs. Swan, Hunter, and Wigham Richardson, stated at Newcastle that he had passed through six periods of depression in sixty years of shipbuilding, but he had never known the outlook to be as bad as it was now. He had never known a period before when shipowners wanted to cancel orders, or at least delay completion, and when for every new ship ordered two or three were cancelled.

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HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MEETING.

A proposal that the Society should extend its usefulness by encouraging the development of fruit growing was among the matters discussed by members of the Hongkong Horticultural Society at their annual meeting in Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company's board room yesterday afternoon. His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz presided and there were present Messrs. W. Bowden, Smith, R.N., the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving and Messrs. J. P. Robinson, F. F. Eca da Silva, A. Nicol, Ho Kom Tung, M. E. F. Airey, L. Gibbs (Hon. Secy.) and J. A. Plummer (Hon. Treasurer).

Presenting last year's report and statement of accounts the hon. secretary (Mr. L. Gibbs) said that from a financial point of view the position was not very satisfactory, as they were about \$240 down on the previous year's accounts. This was mainly accounted for by a loss of \$100 on gate money, due to bad weather, and also partly to overdue subscriptions. The funds in hand consisted chiefly of money on fixed deposit amounting to about \$700.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers and the committee for the ensuing year. On the motion of Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Nicol, His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz was unanimously elected President. The Committee was composed as follows:—Messrs. H. Green, Ho Kom Tung, A. Nicol, J. P. Robinson, F. Eca da Silva, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, M. E. F. Airey, Mrs. Bell Irving and Mrs. R. J. Hall. Mr. L. Gibbs and Mr. J. A. Plummer were re-elected to the posts of hon. secretary and hon. treasurer respectively.

FRUIT GROWING.

The Secretary then drew attention to the following letter from Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

I had hoped to have been present at this evening's meeting of the Horticultural Society, but unfortunately I must attend a meeting elsewhere and am writing to ask if you would mind putting forward the following suggestion before the meeting:

That the Society should extend its usefulness by encouraging the development of fruit growing, (mainly, of course, in the New Territories, and surrounding islands).

I would like to see a special committee appointed, consisting of such keen horticulturists as Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. Ho Kom Tung and Chiu Siu Kee, with Mr. Green and one or two other members to enquire and report as to the best means to be adopted. I would suggest that money prizes of the value of, say, \$50 for the first prize, \$40 for the second, \$15 for the third, and \$5 for commended, at least, be offered for the best basket of each of the following fruits:—Oranges, bananas, pineapples and litchies; such prizes should be guaranteed for at least 4 or 5 years in order to encourage a continuous effort on the part of the

growers, and I do not think we should have the slightest difficulty in raising a fund for this purpose, say \$2,000. Certificates or medals might also be awarded by the Society to prize winners and exhibitors.

It will no doubt be said that as these fruits develop at different periods of the year it would not be possible to have a show, but I think that, if sufficient interest could be raised, a very good showing of each individual fruit could be made and exhibited at say, the City Hall, or some other central place.

I think that with attractive inducements, farmers and others would take up the matter with keenness.

In view of what has already been written and reported by the committee on the natural resources of the Colony appointed by the Government, I think we might reasonably expect the Government to give the Society every encouragement and assistance, such as, to begin with, making the scheme known to the farmers, etc., through the Police Stations, and having got started with these four fruits (or any other fruit the committee might think best), might it not be possible to extend operations by an endeavour to introduce additional fruits suitable for this climate and soil, and perhaps seek Government financial assistance for the purpose of procuring young trees from surrounding country, i.e., Heung Shan, Swatow, etc., these to be given to exhibitors who take an interest in the movement. And I think also it might be well within the Society's province to give its attention to the raising of a better breed of chickens and eggs. However, in the meantime we might confine ourselves to a few of the more popular fruits.

I have no idea what your own views are on this matter but I feel sure that you have the development of all the resources of the Colony very much at heart, and I have no doubt this is felt by all members, and hope these suggestions will be given a sympathetic attention.

The President said that it was his personal opinion that if they had these large prizes it would be very difficult to check competitors growing of the fruit, and to ensure that they did not buy it the night before exhibition and send it in. He did not see either how they could check the farmers and cultivators. As regards the growing of new fruits in the Colony it seemed a little out of the scope of the Society and more a matter for the Government. They might make the suggestion to the Forestry Department, who had an experimental farm.

Mr. Gibbs, while very much in sympathy with Mr. Hughes' letter, said he did not think much could be done on the lines suggested. He did think, however, that a pamphlet on fruit growing would do good. He thought they ought to look to the Government as regards growing new fruit in the New Territories.

Mr. Ho Kom Tung said that the climate and soil of the New Territories was not suited for the practical growing of any kinds of fruit except pineapples, crab apples, bananas and paw-paws.

On the motion of the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Ho Kom Tung, it was decided that the newly-appointed Committee should determine what course of action should be taken in regard to the matter.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WAGES REDUCTION.

LONDON, May 26th. All the cotton operatives' organizations have decided at Manchester to vote in favour of a 30 per cent. reduction in wages and in approaching the employers for reopening negotiations.

POLO.

LONDON, May 26th. The American polo team was again defeated by 4 to 1 by England. The latter team consisted of Lieut. Colonel Metcalf, Lieut. Colonel Ashton, Lieut. Colonel Darnley and Major Harrison, but Muburn, the captain, was not playing, having been injured in the arm, and America's Number One, Rumsey, damaged his hand in the course of the game.

TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS.

LONDON, May 26th. Heynen has been sentenced to ten months' imprisonment.

RIOTS IN EGYPT.

LONDON, May 26th. Latest news from Egypt shows that all is quiet in Alexandria. Telephonic communication between Alexandria and Cairo has been partially restored.

The general uneasiness prevailing in Cairo is exemplified by the closing of shops, owing to the fear of an attack, but the alarm is, apparently, unnecessary. It is stated, however, that no further British forces will be repatriated from Egypt, till the situation clears, while arsenals and railway-shop workers in Cairo have struck and a general railway strike is threatened.

ALEXANDRIA, May 25th. The British cruiser Calypso has arrived. Other warships are coming.

SILESIAN TROUBLES.

LONDON, May 26th. Reuter learns that the German Government's orders prohibiting the formation of irregular bands have had the most beneficial effect in Upper Silesia, where fighting has practically ceased.

BERLIN, May 26th (delayed). Approving Herr Wirth's policy, the famous German journalist, von Geisach, writes: The chief obstacles to the Chancellor's goodwill are continual enforcements of volunteers by patriotic associations, despite Government interdiction, and the sending of ammunition to Upper Silesia.—Havas.

SINN FEI OUTRAGES.

LONDON, May 26th. There is a sombre scene in Dublin. The Customs House is still burning, and is expected to collapse. Huge crowds watched the fire till they were dispersed by the police. The Customs House has now been isolated by barbed wire with troops at the back. It appears that the reports of the burning of the Royal Hall is incorrect. The Irish newspapers regard the burning of the Customs House as a blow to the prospects of peace.

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, May 26th. At Hoylake, in the sixth round, Bernard Darwin (Woking) beat the last American player Wright on the 18th hole.

A coolie foreman employed by a Government building contractor was yesterday charged before Magistrate Lindell with having left the latter's employ without giving the usual notice. Evidence was given to the effect that the defendant was employed by the P.W.D. until July, 1, 1919 when he entered the complainant's employ. The defendant worked for the complainant until the first of this month when two writs for arrears of wages were the first intimation that the latter received of the former's intention to leave his employ. As the defendant had not given him notice, complainant started the present proceedings against him. Since then, the defendant had withdrawn one of the writs. The defendant said that his reason for leaving the complainant's employ was that the road-maintenance contract in Kowloon, on which he had been working, had expired. The complainant admitted this, but held that there were several other contracts on which the defendant had been put to work but had failed to attend to. He further alleged that the defendant had overdrawn \$40 of his wages. The whole trouble, according to the complainant was over his refusal to advance the defendant \$50 as a loan. The defendant denied the latter statement, and challenged the complainant to produce his wages book. When produced this showed that the complainant was still owing the defendant about \$17. There was no reference to any overdraft. The Magistrate dismissed the summons.

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Now a pair of scissors open is a pair of scissors prepared for action, ready to work evil magic by cutting or severing. Hence when they fall open themselves they mean mischief—they are prepared to cut the strands of fortune if not the thread of life.

The latter idea is inherited directly from the fact that in Greek mythology Atropos, one of the three fates, severed with a pair of scissors the thread of life which her sisters spun and measured. In Roman mythology it was the same. The cult of the Parcae disappeared amid the ruins of the Roman world; but the scissors of Atropos, lying open upon the kitchen floor, are still capable of giving an Ohio farmer's wife the shivers.

QUEEN'S GARDENS ROBBERY.

SCHOOL TEACHER ATTACKED.

ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Highway robbery with violence, was the charge preferred against Kwok Ping, aged 20, boatman No. 15, employed in the Harbour Department, before Magistrate Lindell at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The complainant, Miss Margaret Daye Sorby, a school teacher, living in the Halkett, May Institute, said that about 6.30 p.m., on May 8, she was walking in Queen's Gardens, towards Conduit Road. When about a minute's walk from the flats, she became aware that the defendant, was following her. A few paces further along the defendant seized her wristlet watch, twisting it until the ribbon snapped. After taking the watch, he struck her on the shoulder with a rowlock. She screamed and the defendant began to run.

The Magistrate: Did you see the rowlock in his hand?—Yes, I think he was pretending it was a revolver. What happened after he ran?—I ran after him. He ran a good way down the road before some soldiers who were attracted by my scream, joined in the chase.

Miss Sorby added that she was quite certain that the defendant was the man.

Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens said that she was speaking to Miss Wallace outside Sir Paul Chater's house, when they heard a "tremendous noise." Simultaneously they saw a man "tearing round the bend" followed by a lady calling out "Stop thief." The witness and Miss Wal-

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Pte. W. R. Mead, of the Wilts., said that he and two comrades who were walking in Robinson Road, near Glenelg, gave chase to the defendant who by this time had about 20 yards start. When the witness caught up with him, the defendant stopped, put something down in the road saying "Me no thief," and ran on. The witness continued the chase and caught the defendant 20 yards further on. Defendant made a desperate struggle to get away, but the witness's comrades came up and assisted him to hold the captive.

Pte. W. Wootton, who said that L/c. Brown was the other member of the party, gave corroborative evidence.

The defendant, who said that he had nothing to say, was committed for trial.

A Japanese engineer who was in the United States in January to negotiate for equipment for the railway for the statement that practically the entire Japanese railway system of 8,000 miles is to be rebuilt, at a cost of about \$200,000,000. The railways are to be made standard gauge. In addition Japan is purchasing a large quantity of electrical equipment.

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